

THE WEEKLY BANNER.

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If the world's fair is held it ought not to receive an appropriation from congress.

The czar has received a letter from a woman threatening dire disaster to him if he doesn't abandon his reactionary policy.

Candidates are still announcing for office in different counties throughout the state "thick as autumn leaves that strew the brooks in Vallambrosia."

The BANNER is in receipt of the initial number of the Thornton Herald, a sprightly little weekly paper, at the masthead of which the name of Jas. A. Greer appears as editor.

The most farcical investigation ever set on foot in congress is the one in which it is sought to ascertain how the proceedings of the secret sessions of the senate get into print.

There is a strong probability that if the world's fair is held at all it will be postponed until 1893. The Chicago papers are already asking for further time in which to get ready.

English capitalists are still reaching out to get American industries within their grasp. The latest case reported is the formation of a British syndicate to create a trust in the soda water manufacturing business.

There is no longer any room to doubt that the New Hampshire senatorial crank has gone clean daft. He insists that if the associatet press reporters do not furnish his speech on his educational bill to the press for publication, they be denied the use of the floor.

The Huntsville Item says: "The name of Hon. Seth Shepard has been frequently mentioned in connection with the governorship, but in a letter to a gentleman of our city he states unequivocally that he will not be a candidate for the office, and he requests his friends to forego all thoughts of such a thing."

The National Republican league was in session at Nashville, Tennessee, last week. The delegates visited the state house while the legislature was in session, and the speaker cordially invited them to sets on the floor, facetiously assuring them they would not be counted for the purpose of making up a quorum.

The court of appeals at Galveston has reversed and remanded the H. H. Childers case. This is the case in which the appellant was tried for killing a hack-driver out at San Antonio in the second degree. The case was reversed on the ground that the trial judge did not define "malice" and "aforethought" in his charges to the jury.

The democrats of Rhode Island have met and put out a full ticket. The democrats are in the lead in that state and their ticket at the last election polled the biggest vote, but under the laws of the state a candidate has to receive a majority of all the votes cast. Otherwise the election goes to the legislature. The BANNER predicts that at the coming election the legislature will not have a chance to decide the contest. We made the prediction several months ago that in the next presidential election Little Rhody will swing over into the democratic column.

LEANS IRON NEWS: It is now said that the Alliance, the Wheel, the Grange, the Knights of Labor and other labor organizations in Texas are endeavoring to form a union for political purposes, the intention being to nominate a full state ticket. The names of several prominent agriculturists are named in connection with the governorship, among them being Dr. Fields, president of the Alliance, and A. J. Rose, master of the State Grange. Either of these gentlemen would grace the position, but should either of them be promoted to the governor's chair what he could do to advance the interests of labor it is difficult to imagine.

SEPARATE RAILWAY COACHES.

The supreme court of the United States has just rendered another important decision in which the much-discussed color line is involved, in the case of the Louisville, New Orleans and Texas Railroad Company vs. The State of Mississippi. Not long ago the legislature of Mississippi enacted a law requiring the different lines of railway operating through or within the state to provide separate car accommodations for whites and blacks. The railway companies fought the law, because of its entailing extra cost to maintain separate accommodations, and made a test case of it, on the ground of unconstitutionality. The state supreme court pronounced in favor of the constitutionality of the law, and most of the railroads accepted its decision. The Louisville, New Orleans & Texas road, however, declined to abide by it and appealed the case to the United States supreme court, which unhesitatingly declared that it saw no error in the ruling of the Mississippi court, and, therefore, affirmed its decision. It is predicted that this final decision reached by the highest tribunal in the land will have the effect of inducing the legislatures of every other state in the South where negroes are numerous to follow suit with a statute imposing the same conditions of transportation. A law similar to the one adopted by the legislature of Mississippi was passed by the last legislature of Texas, but the good results aimed at by the bill were defeated and rendered nugatory, if we are not mistaken, by a proviso in the law making it optional with the railway companies whether or not they shall furnish separate coaches. The law simply provides that the railway companies may furnish separate coaches, and then goes on to prescribe pains and penalties for the refusal of colored people to accept the separate accommodations after they have been furnished. As it entails a slightly increased expense on the railroads to provide separate first-class coaches for white and black passengers when there may not be enough passengers all told to comfortably fill a single coach, and as it is left optional with the railroad companies whether or not they shall provide separate accommodations, the result is that the law is simply a dead letter. With the exception of the Southern Pacific road, where the company was compelled by the indignant protests of the white citizens of Luling to furnish separate coaches, the law is not observed by a single railroad line in the state as a regular practice. The next legislature should amend the law by doing away with the optional feature and compel the railroads to furnish separate accommodations.

The Houston Herald's special mammoth illustrated edition (to which the BANNER has already referred) contains a picture and biographical sketch of Mr. Julius Lewis Watson, the energetic and popular young business manager of the Post, of that city, from which the following passage is taken: "His first actual newspaper experience was in 1881, when he started the Brenham Independent. To use his language: 'I started the Independent for the express purpose of running the BANNER out of Brenham in thirty days, but the BANNER busted me in three months and is still doing business at the old stand.'"

Why our government doesn't have a treaty with Canada whereby the Dallas express thief Walton can be extradited is one of the mysteries of republican government.—Colorado Citizen.

It is a burning disgrace to both governments that each should furnish a rogue's paradise for the dishonest thieves and scoundrels of the other.

The prospects are, or were reported to be a few days ago, that Edward P. McCabe, a Kansas darkey, and ex-auditor of that state, has the inside track for appointment as governor of Oklahoma. The white people of the territory, mostly northerners, are in a rage and threaten to assassinate him if he is appointed and qualifies.

The act providing for an assistant secretary of war has been approved by the president.

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